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The federal agencies (NOAA and EPA) are optimistic that Oregon will take additional steps to strengthen forestry practices in the State's coast range to protect habitat and water quality for salmon.

On January 30, 2015, the federal agencies disapproved the State's non-point pollution control program under the Coastal Zone Act Reauthorization Amendments (CZARA) because the forestry practices need to be strengthened to protect fish habitat and water quality from excessive sediment run-off that can choke streams and block fish passage and from practices that don't leave enough vegetation on stream banks after logging which can heat up the stream above levels fish can tolerate.

The federal agencies are hopeful that Oregon will achieve full program approval in the near future. The federal agencies are committed to continuing to work closely with the State to help it achieve this goal.

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